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§ 401.50 Anchorage areas.

Except in an emergency, or unless authorized to do so by the vessel traffic controller, no vessel shall drop anchor in any part of the Seaway except in the following designated anchorage areas:

- (a) Point Fortier (Lake St. Louis).
- (b) Melocheville (Beauharnois Canal).
- (c) St. Zotique, Dickerson Island and Stonehouse Point (Lake St. Francis).
- (d) Wilson Hill Island and Morrisburg (Lake St. Lawrence).
- (e) Prescott and Union Park (St. Lawrence River).
- (f) Off Port Weller (Lake Ontario).
- (g) Off Port Colborne (Lake Erie).

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§ 401.51 Signaling approach to a bridge.

(a) Unless a vessel's approach has been recognized by a flashing signal, the master shall signal the vessel's presence to the bridgework by VHF radio when it comes abreast of any of the bridge whistle signs.

(b) The signs referred to in paragraph (a) of this section shall be placed at distances varying between 550 m and 2,990 m upstream and downstream from moveable bridges at sites other than lock sites.

(68 Stat. 93-96, 33 U.S.C. 981-990, as amended and secs. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12 and 13 of sec. 2 of Pub. L. 95-474, 92 Stat. 1471)

[48 FR 20691, May 9, 1983, as amended at 49 FR 30936, Aug. 2, 1984]

§ 401.52 Limit of approach to a bridge.

(a) No vessel shall pass the limit of approach sign at any movable bridge until the bridge is in a fully open position and the signal light shows green.

(b) No vessel shall pass the limit of approach sign at the twin Railway Bridges on the South Shore Canal at Kahnawake until both bridges are in a fully open position and both signal lights show green.

[39 FR 10900, Mar. 22, 1974, as amended at 61 FR 19551, May 2, 1996; 65 FR 52914, Aug. 31, 2000]

§ 401.53 Obstructing navigation.

No vessel shall be operated, drop anchor or be fastened or moored in a

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manner that obstructs or hinders navigation.

§ 401.54 Interference with navigation aids.

(a) Aids to navigation shall not be interfered with or used as moorings.

(b) No person shall, unless authorized by the Corporation or the Manager, set out buoys or navigation markers on the Seaway.

[39 FR 10900, Mar. 22, 1974, as amended at 65 FR 52914, 52915, Aug. 31, 2000]

§ 401.55 Searchlights.

No searchlight shall be used in such a manner that its rays interfere with the operators at a Seaway structure or on any vessel.

§ 401.56 Damaging or defacing Seaway property.

The master of every vessel shall:

(a) Navigate so as to avoid damage to Seaway property; and

(b) Prevent defacement of Seaway property by any member of the vessel's crew.

§ 401.57 Disembarking or boarding.

(a) Except as authorized by an officer, no person, other than a member of the crew of a vessel passing through, shall disembark or board any vessel while the vessel is passing through.

(b) No member of the crew of a vessel passing through shall disembark or board except for the purpose of carrying out essential duties as directed by the Master.

(c) Persons disembarking or boarding shall be assisted by a member of the vessel's crew.

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§ 401.58 Pleasure craft scheduling.

(a) The transit of pleasure craft shall be scheduled by the vessel traffic controller or the officer in charge of a lock and may be delayed so as to avoid interference with other vessels; and

(b) Every pleasure craft seeking to transit Canadian Locks shall stop at a pleasure craft dock and arrange for transit by contacting the lock personnel using the direct-line phone and